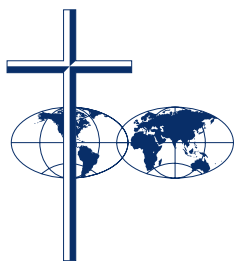




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2023 CALENDAR





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Dear Columban Friend,

On behalf of the international Columban family I'd like to wish you a VERY HAPPY 2023. Please accept this calendar as a sign of our gratitude for all your support.

As an additional symbol of our thanks I'd like you especially and genuinely to receive this sentiment of "HAPPY".

We tend to use this word automatically, without really appreciating its significance. At times it almost seems inappropriate to use it, as we look at all the suffering there is in the world. However, it is a word close to my heart, and one that links me to the Columban Missionaries. Indeed, "Happiness, Come What May" could be our slogan.



Back in 1988 I was working as a postman in my native town of Stockport, trying to decide which group of missionary priests to join. Few seemed to be operating in more difficult and dangerous places than the Columbans, yet I was struck by how HAPPY they always seemed to be. It was one of the reasons I decided to join them – and I've never regretted it. Wherever Columbans are, no matter what setbacks we face, we never seem to lose our sense of good humour.

You only have to look at the things that we and the people we serve are enduring at present. Tightening political pressure in our first and longest mission of China. Human rights abuses under populist regimes in the Philippines. Grinding poverty, sectarian violence and monsoon floods in Pakistan. A military coup in Myanmar (Burma). South Korea under threat from the North, Taiwan similarly menaced by its neighbour. Lingering effects of the global Covid, migration and economic crises in Chile, Peru, Mexico, Fiji and elsewhere. Yet, through it all, the Columbans remain "happy".

This isn't a superficial happiness, but a faith-filled joy that comes from knowing how, sooner or later, good will conquer evil. God (in the words of Our Lady) will, "lift up the lowly, fill the starving with good things, cast unjust rulers from their thrones" (Lk. 1: 51-53).

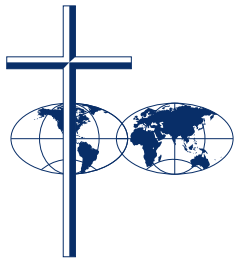
Columbans are like St. Paul, "afflicted but never downhearted, persecuted but never forsaken, knocked down but never destroyed" (2 Cor. 4: 8-9). We always come out smiling - just look at this year's pictures !

So again – with feeling – thank you and HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Fr John Boles
Columban Director in Britain

Above: Fr John Boles

Front cover: Lay Missionaries, Faith in Action volunteers and Columban co-workers outside Fatima House, a home for women asylum seekers in Birmingham.



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Welcome the Stranger

"Chile is facing a humanitarian crisis with more than one and a half million migrants arriving in Chile in the last two years. If we truly want to follow Jesus, we have to welcome migrants, support them, help them. We can't throw people out on the street. We have to give them a chance."

Fr Dan Harding
Migrant Ministry Chile



The San Columbano Shelter and Migrants Hall in Santiago, Chile, founded by a Columban parish, welcomes its first guests from Venezuela.
Scan to watch a video about this ministry.



January 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| 1 MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD | 2 St Basil the Great St Gregory Nazianzen Psalter W2 | 3 Most Holy Name of Jesus | 4 St Elizabeth Ann Seton | 5 | 6 First Friday THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD | 7 St Raymond of Penyafort |
| 8 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD | 9 Week 1 in Ordinary Time Psalter W1 | 10 | 11 | 12 St Aelred of Rievaulx, Abbot | 13 St Hilary St Kentigern (Scotland) | 14 |
| 15 PEACE DAY 2ND OF YEAR Psalter W2 | 16 | 17 St Anthony, Abbot | 18 OCTAVE OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY | 19 St Wulstan, Bishop | 20 St Fabian, Pope St Sebastian | 21 St Agnes |
| 22 SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD 3RD OF YEAR Psalter W3 | 23 | 24 St Francis de Sales | 25 The Conversion of St Paul, Apostle | 26 Ss Timothy and Titus, Bishops | 27 St Angela Merici | 28 St Thomas Aquinas |
| 29 4TH OF YEAR Psalter W4 | 30 | 31 St John Bosco | | | | |

Scripture Readings: Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Year 1 Full Moon - 6th



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Build Bridges

“We invite you — our peers, our elders, the members and leaders of our own and other faith traditions, and all people of goodwill — to ‘build bridges between believers from different religions’ by living out the values, principles and commitments of The Sydney Statement.”

The Sydney Statement
 Columbans Oceania



Rev. Gayatriprana of the Vedanta Society meets Fr Pat McInerney of the Columban Centre for Christian-Muslim Relations at the launch of the Sydney Statement, an interfaith charter. **Scan to read the Statement.**

February 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | | 1 St Brigid of Ireland | 2 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD | 3 First Friday St Blaise St Ansgar | 4 |
| 5 RACIAL JUSTICE DAY 5TH OF YEAR Psalter W1 | 6 St Paul Miki and Companions (Martyrs of Japan) | 7 | 8 PRAY FOR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING St Jerome Emiliani St Josephine Bakhita | 9 St Teilo, Bishop (Wales) | 10 St Scholastica | 11 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK Our Lady of Lourdes |
| 12 6TH OF YEAR Psalter W2 | 13 | 14 St Cyril and St Methodius (Patrons of Europe) | 15 | 16 | 17 Seven Servite Founders | 18 St Colman of Lindisfarne |
| 19 PRAY FOR THE UNEMPLOYED 7TH OF YEAR Psalter W3 | 20 | 21 St Peter Damian | 22 ASH WEDNESDAY FAST AND ABSTINENCE The Chair of St Peter, Apostle Psalter W4 | 23 St Polycarp | 24 | 25 |
| 26 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT Psalter W1 | 27 Saint Gregory of Narek | 28 St Oswald of Worcester | | | | |

Scripture readings: Lent Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Proper Full Moon - 5th



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Fill our hearts

During this holy season of
Lent, help us to change
and grow and become the
kind of people
You created us to be.

Fill our hearts with love
for You and for all people,

Show us how to use the
gifts You have given us
To help others in Your name.

Amen

Columbans USA



Fr Noel O'Neill celebrates Mass with Kim Youn Cheong, a resident of the Rainbow Community, which provides community-based services to people with intellectual disabilities in Korea.

March 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| | | | 1 St David, Patron of Wales | 2 St Chad, Bishop | 3 WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER LENT FAST DAY First Friday | 4 St Casimir |
| 5 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT Psalter W2 | 6 | 7 Ss Perpetua and Felicity | 8 St John of God | 9 St Frances of Rome | 10 St John Ogilvie (Scotland) | 11 |
| 12 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT Psalter W3 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 St Patrick Patron of Ireland | 18 St Cyril of Jerusalem |
| 19 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT Psalter W4 | 20 ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY St Cuthbert | 21 | 22 | 23 St Turibius de Mongrovejo | 24 | 25 THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD |
| 26 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT Psalter W1 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | |

Scripture readings: Lent Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Proper Full Moon - 7th



In the Columban parish of Christ the King in Ba, Fiji, served by Fr Pat Colgan, a Good Friday drama is re-enacted by young adults from the highland villages.



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Alive to God

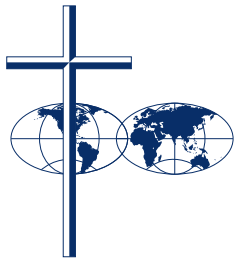
"We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus."

Romans 6:9-11

April 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| 30 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Psalter W2 | 3 HOLY WEEK | 4 HOLY WEEK | 5 HOLY WEEK | 6 MAUNDY THURSDAY | 7 GOOD FRIDAY FAST AND ABSTINENCE First Friday | 8 HOLY SATURDAY |
| 9 EASTER SUNDAY Psalter W1 | 10 EASTER OCTAVE | 11 EASTER OCTAVE | 12 EASTER OCTAVE | 13 EASTER OCTAVE | 14 EASTER OCTAVE | 15 EASTER OCTAVE |
| 16 DIVINE MERCY 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER | 17 Psalter W2 | 18 | 19 St Alphege | 20 St Beuno (Wales) | 21 St Anselm, Bishop | 22 |
| 23 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER Psalter W3 | 24 ST GEORGE, PATRON OF ENGLAND St Adalbert (Wales) St Fidelis of Sigmaringen | 25 St Mark | 26 | 27 | 28 St Peter Chanel St Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort | 29 St Catherine of Siena (Patron of Europe) |

Scripture readings: Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Proper
Palm Sunday, Easter Sunday - Proper Full Moon - 6th



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Shine your Light

Shine your light upon me
 so that I may see my true
 vocation. Give me the
 grace to hear your word.

Thank you for sending
 your son Jesus, the Lord of
 the Harvest; help me to
 follow His example.

May I freely, courageously
 and lovingly respond.

Amen.

Columbans USA



A Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by Fr Jerry A. Lohera, who was ordained priest on 14 June 2022 at San Roque Parish in Misamis Oriental, Philippines. Scan for the latest updates by Columban seminarians.



May 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|---|
| | 1 St Joseph the Worker | 2 St Athanasius | 3 Ss Philip and James, Apostles | 4 The English Martyrs | 5 First Friday St Asaph (Wales) | 6 |
| 7 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER Psalter W1 | 8 | 9 PRAY FOR SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ABUSE | 10 St John De Avila | 11 | 12 Ss Nereus and Achilleus St Pancras | 13 Our Lady of Fatima |
| 14 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER Psalter W2 | 15 St Isadore | 16 | 17 | 18 THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD St John I, Pope | 19 St Dunstan | 20 St Bernardine of Siena |
| 21 WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER Psalter W3 | 22 St Rita of Cascia | 23 St William of Rochester | 24 St David of Scotland | 25 St Bede the Venerable St Gregory VII, Pope St Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi | 26 St Philip Neri | 27 St Augustine of Canterbury |
| 28 PENTECOST | 29 MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH St Paul VI Week 8 in Ordinary Time Psalter W4 | 30 | 31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary | | | |

Scripture readings: Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Year 1 Full Moon - 5th



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Dignity for All

“In order to build themselves, people with disabilities not only need to exist but they also need to belong to a community. I pray that each person may feel the paternal gaze of God, who affirms their full dignity and the unconditional value of their life.”

Pope Francis
 International Day of
 Persons with Disabilities

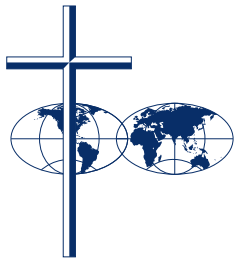


Lay Missionary Lee Jiyoung Tina helps a student to make a cupcake at a day-care centre for people with disabilities in Hsinchu, Taiwan.
 Scan to find out about Columban Lay Mission.

June 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--|--|----------------------------------|---|---|--|
| | | | | 1 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST St Justin | 2 First Friday Ss Marcellinus and Peter | 3 St Charles Lwanga and Companions |
| 4 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY | 5 Week 9 in Ordinary Time Psalter W1 St Boniface | 6 St Norbert | 7 | 8 | 9 St Ephrem of Syria St Columba | 10 |
| 11 THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST | 12 Week 10 in Ordinary Time Psalter W2 | 13 St Anthony of Padua | 14 | 15 | 16 THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS St Richard of Chichester | 17 |
| 18 DAY FOR LIFE 11TH SUNDAY Psalter W3 | 19 St Romuald | 20 St Alban St Julius St Arron | 21 St Aloysius Gonzaga | 22 St John Fisher St Thomas More St Paulinus of Nola (Wales) | 23 St Etheldreda (Audrey) | 24 THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST |
| 25 12TH SUNDAY Psalter W4 | 26 | 27 St Cyril of Alexandria | 28 St Irenaeus | 29 SS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES Society of St. Columban Foundation Day | 30 The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church | |

Scripture readings: Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Year 1 Full Moon - 4th



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Love One Another

“We love because he first loved us. Those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.”

1 John 4:19-21



Columban Sister Kathleen Geaney, who is engaged in interfaith ministry with the Buddhist community, greets a friend in Mandalay, Myanmar (Burma).

July 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|------------------------------------|---|--|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 30 17TH SUNDAY Psalter W1 | 31 St Ignatius of Loyola | | | | | 1 St Oliver Plunkett |
| 2 13TH SUNDAY Psalter W1 | 3 St Thomas, Apostle | 4 St Elizabeth of Portugal | 5 St Anthony Mary Zaccaria | 6 St Maria Goretti | 7 First Friday | 8 |
| 9 SEA SUNDAY 14TH SUNDAY Psalter W2 | 10 | 11 St Benedict (Patron of Europe) | 12 St John Jones (Wales) | 13 St Henry | 14 St Camillus de Lellis | 15 St Bonaventure |
| 16 15TH SUNDAY Psalter W3 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 St Apollinaris | 21 St Lawrence of Brindisi | 22 St Mary Magdalene |
| 23 16TH SUNDAY Psalter W4 | 24 St Sharbel Makhlof | 25 St James, Apostle | 26 Ss Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary | 27 | 28 | 29 Ss Mary, Martha and Lazarus |

Scripture readings: Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Year 1 Full Moon - 3rd



Fr Louie Ybañez accompanies families made homeless and deprived of their livelihood by the devastating floods of 2022 in Sindh province, Pakistan.



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Teach us to Listen

Open our ears and move our hearts. Turn us from our inward gaze. Teach us to listen for the voice of each creature declaring your glory. Give us hearts to listen for the good news of your promise to renew the face of the Earth.

Amen.

Prepare for the Season of Creation

August 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|---|--|---|--|--|---|
| | | 1 St Alphonsus Mary de' Liguori | 2 St Eusebius of Vercelli St Peter Julian Eymard | 3 St Germanus of Auxerre (Wales) | 4 First Friday St John Mary Vianney | 5 Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major |
| 6 THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD | 7 Ss Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions St Cajetan Week 18 in Ordinary Time Psalter W2 | 8 St Dominic | 9 St Teresa Benedicta of The Cross (Patron of Europe) | 10 St Lawrence | 11 St Clare | 12 St Jane Frances de Chantal |
| 13 19TH SUNDAY Psalter W3 | 14 St Maximilian Mary Kolbe | 15 THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY | 16 St Stephen of Hungary | 17 | 18 St Helen | 19 St John Eudes |
| 20 20TH SUNDAY Psalter W4 | 21 St Pius X, Pope | 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary | 23 St Rose of Lima | 24 St Bartholomew, Apostle | 25 St Louis St Joseph of Calasanz | 26 Bl Dominic Barberi St David Lewis (Wales) St Ninian (Scotland) |
| 27 21ST SUNDAY Psalter W1 | 28 St Edmund Arrowsmith St Augustine | 29 The Passion of St John the Baptist | 30 Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward | 31 St Aidan and Saints of Lindisfarne | | |

Scripture readings: Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Year 1 Full Moon - 31st



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Our Common Home

Enlighten us with the grace to follow the Way of Christ as we learn to walk lightly upon this holy ground.

Fill us with the hope to quench the fires of injustice with the light of your healing love that sustains our common home.

Amen.

Celebrate the Season of Creation



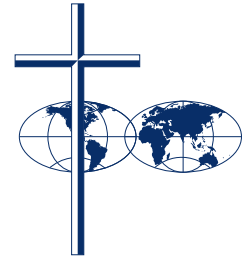
Fr John Boles with co-workers and Lay Missionaries join young activists on a climate relay walk from Cornwall to the COP26 climate summit in Glasgow. Scan for more on Justice, Peace & Ecology.



September 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|---------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|
| | | | | | 1 First Friday WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION | 2 |
| 3 22ND SUNDAY Psalter W2 | 4 St Cuthbert | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary | 9 St Peter Claver |
| 10 EDUCATION DAY 23RD SUNDAY Psalter W3 | 11 St Deiniol (Wales) | 12 Most Holy Name of Mary | 13 St John Chrysostom | 14 THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS | 15 Our Lady of Sorrows | 16 Ss Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian |
| 17 HOME MISSION DAY 24TH SUNDAY Psalter W4 | 18 | 19 St Januarius St Theodore of Canterbury | 20 Ss Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang and Companions | 21 St Matthew, Apostle | 22 | 23 St Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) |
| 24 HARVEST FESTIVAL WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 25TH SUNDAY Psalter W1 | 25 | 26 Ss Cosmas and Damian | 27 St Vincent de Paul | 28 St Wenceslaus Ss Lawrence Ruiz and Companions | 29 Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels | 30 St Jerome |

Scripture readings: Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Year 1 Full Moon - 29th



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Prayer for the Synod 2023

We stand before You,
 Holy Spirit, as we gather
 together in Your name.

Teach us the way
 we must go and
 how to pursue it.

Let us find in You
 our unity so that we
 may journey together
 and not stray from
 the way of truth and
 what is right.

Amen.



A teacher working for Columban project Warmi Huasi in Peru visits a child at home to give a catch-up lesson in Lampa, Ayacucho.
 Scan to watch videos about this and other ministries in Peru.

October 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--|---|--|---|--|------------------------------------|
| 1 26TH SUNDAY Psalter W2 | 2 The Holy Guardian Angels | 3 | 4 St Francis of Assisi | 5 St Faustina Kowalska | 6 First Friday HARVEST FAST DAY St Bruno | 7 Our Lady of the Rosary |
| 8 PRISON WEEK 27TH SUNDAY Psalter W3 | 9 St John Henry Newman | 10 St Paulinus of York St Denis and Companions St John Leonardi | 11 St John XXIII, Pope | 12 St Wilfred | 13 St Edward The Confessor | 14 St Callistus I, Pope |
| 15 28TH SUNDAY Psalter W4 | 16 St Hedwig St Margaret Mary Alacoque St Richard Gwyn (Wales) | 17 St Ignatius of Antioch | 18 St Luke, Evangelist | 19 Ss John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues and Companions St Paul of the Cross | 20 | 21 |
| 22 WORLD MISSION DAY 29TH SUNDAY Psalter W1 | 23 St John of Capestrano | 24 St Anthony Mary Claret | 25 The Six Welsh Martyrs and their Companions | 26 St Chad St Cedd | 27 | 28 Ss Simon and Jude |
| 29 30TH SUNDAY Psalter W2 | 30 | 31 | | | | |

Scripture readings: Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Year 1 Full Moon - 28th



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Catholic legacy be?

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a gift in your Will to
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Missionaries.



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'Your Catholic Legacy'
guide to writing a Will.



Fr Dan Troy takes part in the annual Tomb Sweeping Festival in Jingshan, China. Priests accompany Catholics to lead prayers and bless family graves.

November 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---|---|----------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | 1 ALL SAINTS | 2 THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS) | 3 First Friday St Martin de Porres St Winefride | 4 St Charles Borromeo |
| 5 31ST SUNDAY Psalter W3 | 6 St Illtud (Wales) | 7 St Willibrord | 8 All Saints of Wales | 9 DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA | 10 St Leo the Great, Pope | 11 St Martin of Tours |
| 12 REMEMBRANCE DAY 32ND SUNDAY Psalter W4 | 13 | 14 St Dyfrig (Wales) | 15 St Albert the Great | 16 St Margaret of Scotland St Gertrude St Edmund of Abingdon | 17 St Hilda St Hugh of Lincoln St Elizabeth of Hungary | 18 Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter and Paul, Apostles |
| 19 WORLD DAY OF THE POOR 33RD SUNDAY Psalter W1 | 20 | 21 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary | 22 St Cecilia | 23 St Clement I, Pope St Columban | 24 St Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions | 25 St Catherine of Alexandria |
| 26 YOUTH DAY OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. KING OF THE UNIVERSE | 27 Week 34 in Ordinary Time Psalter W2 | 28 | 29 | 30 St Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland | | |

Scripture Readings: Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Year 1 Full Moon - 27th



Lay Missionary Rosalia Basada works with young children at Casa del Migrante, a shelter for migrants in Ciudad Juárez near the US-Mexico border.



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Kingdom Builders

Lord, make us instruments
of your justice, so that
where there is exclusion,
fraternity may flourish,
and where there is greed,
a spirit of sharing may grow.

Lord, make us builders of
your Kingdom, together
with migrants and
refugees and with all who
dwell on the peripheries.

Amen.

Pope Francis

December 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| 31 THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH Psalter W1 | | | | | 1 First Friday | 2 |
| 3 DAY OF PRAYER FOR MIGRANTS BIBLE SUNDAY 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Psalter W1 | 4 St John Damascene | 5 St Birinus | 6 St Nicholas | 7 St Ambrose | 8 THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY | 9 St John Diego Cuatlatotzin |
| 10 2ND OF ADVENT Psalter W2 | 11 St Damasus I, Pope | 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe | 13 St Lucy | 14 St John of the Cross | 15 | 16 |
| 17 3RD OF ADVENT Psalter W3 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 St Peter Canisius | 22 | 23 St John of Kanty |
| 24 DAY OF PRAYER FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS Christmas Eve 4TH OF ADVENT Psalter W4 | 25 THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD CHRISTMAS DAY | 26 St Stephen | 27 St John, Apostle | 28 The Holy Innocents | 29 St Thomas Becket | 30 |

Scripture Readings: Sundays in Advent - Cycle B Weekdays - Proper Full Moon - 27th

IN GRATITUDE

Ephesians 1:16

“I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.”



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And he said to them,

“Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.”

Mark 16:15

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Follow us on



Yes, I will go!

Where will I go?

What road do I follow?

How long is this journey?

Will You be there when I arrive?

Hold my hand and don't let go.

If darkness comes,

Be my eyes; be my ears; guide me.

I want to take this journey,

A journey to be with You.

I know You will be there
along the way.

Be my strength;

be my light.

Be with me.

Yes, I am ready!

Yes, I will go!

Artwork 'Finding light in the dark' by Jao Resari

Prayer by Vida Hequilan

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Vocation
for Justice